

FREE! Join us for a Literary Extravaganza!

MAINE *Festival* OF THE *Book*

April 2-5, 2009 Portland

The Maine Festival of the Book brings together readers and writers to enjoy readings, panel discussions, book signings, activities, and performances.
And it's free!

Thursday, April 2

Youth Outreach in the Community with Maine Reads and graphic novelist Jay Piscopo

4 pm University Events Room, Glickman Family Library at USM, Portland
The History of the Book: A Visual Chronology

Richard Lindemann, Director of the George J. Mitchell Special Collections and Archives at Bowdoin College (Presented by the Kate Cheney Chappell '83 Center for Book Arts at USM)

Friday, April 3

Opening Night (Sold out)

Saturday, April 4

9:30 am - 5 pm Abromson Center, University of Southern Maine, Portland
Readings, Book Sales, Signings, and Author Discussions

Featuring Meredith Hall, Jaed Coffin, Hannah Holmes, Bill Roorbach, John Mandarino, Lewis Robinson, Andrew McNabb, Colin Sargent, Tilar Mazzeo, Alex Irvine, and many others! Book appraisals, and other programs!

7 pm Annual Poetry Party

Jazz trio, cocktail hour, Spoken Word performance, and the Northeast Regional Poetry Slam
(Location to be announced; presented by Port Veritas)

Sunday, April 5

7 pm Portland Stage Company, 25A Forest Avenue
Longfellow's Shorts

A dramatic reading of selections from *Water Dogs*, a new novel by Lewis Robinson
(Presented by Portland Stage Company)



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